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Dear Max:

Interrogation of Defectors to Determine  
Residential Distribution of Labor Force in Soviet Industrial Cities

During your recent visit [REDACTED] I explained the importance for target selection work of determining the occupations of the persons living close to target plants in Soviet industrial cities.

I further suggested that the interrogation of defectors might reveal considerable information on this score. The records of past interrogations in Germany might be screened and in addition, future interrogations might be designed to yield this information more directly. So far as I know this information is lacking in Washington.

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You were good enough to suggest that you would discuss the possibilities of such an interrogation program with [REDACTED] now in the Office of Operations. I would appreciate hearing his views.

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In this and in another connection, we are arranging for [REDACTED] to travel to Washington. He will check with ATD regarding their current state of knowledge of the urban location of the labor force. I expect he will also call on [REDACTED]

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We are also arranging for his clearances to be sent to CIA so that he may have access to your library, and specifically to your Industrial Register.

It was nice seeing you again, and I hope that you had a good trip back to Washington.

Yours sincerely,

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